THE

NEWPORT MERCURY.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1797. [N° 1862.]

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Newport, December 12, 1797.

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NICHOLAS TAYLOR,
WALTER NICHOLS,
ANTHONY DIXON.

Newport, December 11, 1797.

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Superfine black Ruſſells and Ruffelletts,
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Dimoty's and Muſlinets,
A great Variety of Silks, for Gowns,
Changeable colored Satins,
Engliſh and India black Ditto,
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Cloth and Morocco Shoes and Slips,
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Pearl, and poliſhed Steel Buttons, &c. &c.

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For Clothiers & Hatters,

Oil of Vitriol,
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White Ditto,
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Copperas,
Ground Camwood,
Do. Madder,
Nutgalls,
Arſnic,
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Terras, &c. &c.

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James's Antidote,
Anderſon's, } per Dozen.
Hooper's,
Lee's,
Lockyer's,
Daffy's Elixir,
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Lozenges of Tolu,
Rahd'd Liquorice,
Cephalic Snuff
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Best Rhubarb by the Cheſt—Engliſh double refined Salt Peter, by the Hundred or Pound.

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Newport, October 16, 1797.

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Saturday, the 18 h inst. died of his wounds he received on the 9th inst. on his way to Washington district court, from four or five assassins to ambush Robert Maxwell, Esq. Sheriff of that district. He has left a most excellent woman, but now disconsolate widow (daughter of General Anderson) with a large family of young children. Three suspected persons have been apprehended, and pursuit was making after a fourth.

RICHMOND, Nov. 15.

Mr. DAVIS.

The following is an extract from a sensible, candid, and well written letter, received by last Wednesday's mail, from a native born Virginian, of distinguished character and property, who has been sometime northwardly, and is at present in Philadelphia.

A CORRESPONDENT.

November 14 1797.

"This place again revives;—the public officers are returned; and the fever will be soon forgotten, except by those who have to deplore the loss of a valuable friend.

As to Europe, here is the most anxious expectation.—The fate of humanity at large, as well as the interests of America, seems to depend upon the events which now portend. While this dilemma prevails, there will be but little enterprize—The capitals have been very much affected, so that what remains must be nursed; nor can I say much on politics, a subject which has of late impressed itself upon every one. I can, however, make a few remarks, from my own observations, upon all governmental subjects. The Virginians are generally imposed upon and misinformed—I have been myself much mistaken in many respects, and I have contributed in some degree to misread others, and do now most heartily wish that I had the power to undo every error of this kind.—If any man will come to this place, with a mind perfectly unprejudiced and open to truth, he will soon discover, that he has not been master of the data upon which opinion is founded. He will discover that prejudice and design has had, and now holds considerable empire; and that even they whose duty and situation should induce them to unmask the impostors, either become inert or parties. I am persuaded that there are two errors in Virginia, which support each other—the first is, the leading public characters think, the mass of the people are opposed to government; and that they are therefore unfaithful if they do not likewise oppose and abuse all the officers of government;—whereas the first is not the truth, and the second is a great fault: A very little explanation would regulate this—the people of Virginia would be viewed in their true character, and very different means would be used for popularity.—There would not then be found men, whose political eclat was acquired, by epithets of abuse against *Washington Adams*, and others; nor would there be found a man, who should say, that *Adams, Pickering, Wolcott, Lee, &c. &c* contemplated to perpetuate their own power, at the expense of public liberty, and public justice;—but *they* would be known to be plain, upright men—the friends of their country, of good order, and peace, and only the enemies of the factious, intriguing, and seditious.

Whenever truth shall prevail, it will be found, that the Americans generally, from North to South, think and mean alike.—Attempts have been made, to establish an unceasing principle of civil discord, so that, by playing off party against party, the leaders in the opposite scale might acquire a false political character, and establish an opinion, among their followers, that they alone supported the cause of public honor, and public justice:—But, for this, why are months employed, on the floor of Congress, to settle points, which men of business could adjust, either one way or another, in a few days?—In a few days after the meeting of Congress the bills are formed, and although the walls resound with speeches, and the papers groan with the publication of them, yet any Speaker knows that he will make no converts, and all will be puppets, till the champions are tired.—What then does this mean? 'Tis to keep up the spirit of party—to conceal the truth—to induce the people of one region to think, that those of another, intend to make them beasts of burthen, and so *vice versa*.—Let it be supposed, that, at the ensuing session, all Congress should harmonize—the members should go home, and inform their constituents, that the people of Massachusetts, and the people of Virginia, were equally pleasant, industrious and well meaning, without any designs on the rights or the properties of their neighbours—what would be the consequence? That in future there would be no suspicion—party spirit and faction would hide their heads, and we should not be any more duped by scarecrow tales, which even the persons who are the authors of them, are ashamed to repeat, until they flatter themselves that such are the fears and sentiments of their constituents.

ALEXANDRIA, December 1.

Yesterday Henry Sinclair, Captain of the British letter of marque Swinger, now in this port, was arrested and imprisoned in the county gaol, on suits for damages amounting to 25,000 dollars, brought against him by Stewart and Son, of Baltimore.

The circumstances upon which the actions were grounded were the following:—The ship Atlantic, owned by the above firm, on her passage from a French port in the West-Indies, to Baltimore, was captured by the Swinger, and after being plundered of a number of articles, was ordered to Barbados, for trial; on her passage to Barbados, she was retaken by a French privateer, and then retaken by another British vessel, and carried into St Christopher's where she was finally cleared but was obliged to dispose of her cargo, to pay the costs of salvage, &c.

One of the suits is brought for forcibly plundering the vessel of part of her cargo—the other for damages sustained in her detention, capture, &c.

BALTIMORE December, 5.

By Farenheit's Thermometer, placed in an entry, last night, the mercury stood at 23, within one degree as cold as the coldest night we had last winter, and nine times as cold as is necessary to congeal water into ice.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.

In the cause of Bache versus Humphreys, for an assault and battery, the defendant was sentenced to pay a fine of FIFTY DOLLARS AND COSTS.

Thursday a curious bett was determined between two Butchers of High street Market, the one having undertook to carry the other on his back to Chester, a distance of fifteen miles, in thirteen hours and an half. At six o'clock in the morning, the carrier with his burthen started from the Court House, accompanied by the umpires and a number of spectators, they stopped at Gray's Ferry, a short time, and at Darby to breakfast which delayed them twenty minutes and arrived at Kerlin's in Chester at a quarter past one—having with ease compleated the journey in seven hours and fifteen minutes.—Besides the original bett which was but fifty dollars, there were others depending to a considerable amount.

The carrier is a man of fifty two years of age and weight 126 pounds; the rider forty five and weighed 136.

They both returned to the city in the evening, in good health and spirits, seeming very little fatigued.

AFFAIRS OF IRELAND.

The letters which we daily receive from Ireland, represent the Country be in a state unheard of wretchedness. Terror is the order of the Day.—All the horrors that

ſolated France under Robeſpierre, doubtle ſary before the barbarities and cruelties which are exerciſed on ſome of the oppreſſed inhabitants of that Country by the Carries and Leſbons who are now the ſcourges of Ireland.

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To the Printer of DE CHRONICLE.

SIR,

THEY do ſay, you are for the equality.—I am the French merchant, I come from Bourdeaux to get my money for my goods. I go to one lawyer—he make de writ. I go to court. The lawyer of my debtor read to de book named de Burroughs, that lord Kenyon chief judge in England ſay the law is ſo—the Judges bow their head, and ſay, amen, to de ſame Kenyon; and ſo I loſe my debt.—— Now the lord Kenyon ſay in his Engliſh court, ſay, that the not having *de role d'Equipage* is good to condemn de American ſhip, under the treaty of 1778: The French Judge ſay ſo too: But the Americans ſay, that the Lord Kenyon is wrong, when he ſay as the French Judge ſay—but when he ſay, what the French Judge do not ſay, then the Americans ſay, he is *all right*,—— Will you tell me the law on this?

FRANCAIS LEMOINE,

December 16.

IMPORTANT NEWS.

Capt. Lane, who arrived at Portſmouth, on Thurſday morning laſt, from Holland, in 49 days, has informed his owners in this town, by expreſs, that he was the bearer of a letter from Capt. Roberts, dated at Helvoetſluys, the 24th October, announcing the important intelligence of a complete victory being gained by the Engliſh fleet commanded by Admiral Duncan, over the Dutch fleet, under the orders of Admiral de Winter; and that ten or eleven ſail had fallen in Duncan's hands, including two Admiral's and other large ſhips. After the action one of the captured ſhips was ſtranded.

If the above account is authentic, the event it relates is of the firſt importance. It will give freſh ſpirits to the Engliſh nation; and induce the monied men to come forward in liberal loans to government, in ſupport of a war, which has made them the maſters of the ocean:—It will ſhew that the late mutiny in the fleet, was not tinctured with diſloyalty; and that the tars of England while they knew how to aſk for redreſs of grievances, always know how to conquer an enemy. The date of the account does not impair its authenticity; but we cannot eaſily perſuade ourſelves, that de Winter would quit his ſafe moorings in the Texel, to combat an enemy every way his ſuperior, eſpecially ſo ſoon after a mutiny in his fleet.

Capt. Lord having 49 days paſſage may be the reaſon why he had not heard the particulars of the above event. The letter from Helvoetſluys, being dated the 24th October, muſt have been written within two or three days of his ſailing.

It is a rare circumſtance in the annals of naval warfare, that the grand fleets of three powerful nations ſhould, in one war, be beaten by that of a ſingle one.

LA FAYETTE.

We are happy to announce the ſafe arrival of America's noble friend at Hamburg, in October laſt, whereto he was eſcorted by the Captains of American veſſels lying there;—and who two days after, gave him an elegant entertainment. As he was to ſail for Philadelphia, in the John, two days after Captain Hall, who arrived here yeſterday, we may daily expect to hear of his landing in the United States.

Nor event will give greater joy to the Patriot at Mount Vernon, than to behold his adopted ſon in this land of freedom.

FROM PHILAD. DEC 7.

"All our accounts from Europe agree, in repreſenting the political ſituation of that quarter as highly intereſting. New ſcenes are daily unfolding; and ſeem to mock the calculations of our moſt ſagacious politicians. The war which ſeemed tottering to a cloſe, by the ſucceſſive ſeceſſion of the powers engaged in it, now aſſumes a more menacing attitude, and threatens to include in its vortex Poland, Ruſſia, the Ottoman Porte, and Pruſſia. If in the turmoil the United States can keep beyond its influence, great credit will be due to thoſe who conduct their affairs. In any event we muſt be prepared for the worſt. Our reſources are immenſe, and they ought to be put in a ſtate of active preparation. Things as yet, go on very harmoniouſly in Congreſs. We have more Americans, and leſs Engliſh and Frenchmen, amongſt our rulers."

NEWPORT, Dec. 19.

We are authorized to announce, that the bank, in this Town, receives French Crowns at 110 Cents.

On Monday the 11th Inſtant, the General Aſſembly of this State met at Briſtol, purſuant to Adjournment—the principal Object which occupied their Attention was the Reviſion the Laws—The Report of the Committee charged with that Buſineſs, was taken up and the greater Part of the Code approved and adopted.—Some very important Bills have, however, been poſtponed until next Seſſion, among which are the Judiciary Bill, and that for the Puniſhment of Crimes. That Part of the Code which is adopted, is not to go into Operation until the Whole is enacted.

During the Seſſion the following Appointments were made:

SAMUEL EDDY Eſq; Secretary, vice Henry Ward, Eſq; deceaſed.

THOMAS HOLDEN, Eſq; 5th Juſtice of the Supreme Court, vice Thomas Tillinghaſt, Eſq; elected a Repreſentative in Congreſs.

DANIEL SHELDON, Eſq; Adjutant-General of the Militia.

On Saturday the Aſſembly adjourned to meet at Providence on the laſt Monday in January next.

A Tax of One Cent per Acre is levied upon all Lands in the State of Vermont, except thoſe belonging to the State or appropriated to religious Uſes.

JOHN CALDWELL, Eſq; is appointed Firſt Clerk in the War Department, vice Mr Stagg, reſigned.

DIED]—On Tueſday the 12th Inſtant, BENJAMIN ELLERY, after a ſhort Sickneſs, in the 73d Year of his Age. Time had gradually waſted his Strength by almoſt unperceived Decay, and he yielded up his Breath with ſcarcely a Struggle or a Groan. Age, that generally carries in its Train, Melancholy, Depreſſion, and Inquietude, appeared to him unaccompanied by theſe gloomy Attendants; and though it had weakened the Powers of his Body, had neither abated the Cheerfulneſs of his Diſpoſition, nor leſſened the Enjoyment of his Spirits; theſe were the lively Eſcort which attended and cheered him almoſt to the laſt Stage of his Journey through Life.——Colloquial Talents, the Flow of Spirits, the Powers of Wit, Humor, and Converſation, though they ſerved to charm, animate, and adorn his Society, may be conſidered, but as the Decorations of the Frame of his Character;—within, was ſolid Worth, pure Integrity, and the moſt ſcrupulous Honeſty;—an inſtinctive Delicacy of Principle, that made him ſhrink at the Idea of profiting himſelf, by the Confidence, Ignorance, or Miſtakes of others—a Rectitude of Mind, and Uprightneſs of Heart, that found many Admirers, and has left but few Equals.—— Unambitious of political Diſtinction, or public Honors, he choſe the Walks of private Life, but not indifferent to the Intereſts of the Commonweal; he always ſhewed himſelf a Friend to Government and good Order.—Attached to the Congregational Mode of Worſhip, by Education and Principle, he encouraged it by his conſtant Attendance, and liberal Contribution.—Delineation of poſthumous Character is too generally regarded as the Effuſions of undiſtinguiſhing Affection, rather than the Reſult of impartial Examination and Judgment, elſe might this Sketch be filled up, and a Character pourtrayed at full Length, which would increaſe Eſteem, and merit Imitation.

—At Providence, on Wedneſday laſt, in the 34th Year of her Age, Mrs. CHLOE WILKINSON, the very amiable Conſort of William Wilkinſon, Eſq.

—At Newburyport, Mr. HENRY BABCOCK, of this State.

MARRIED]—At Norwich (Connecticut) Mr. SOLOMON HEWITT, to Miſs PATTY EAMES after a *ſhort*, and it is expected *agreeable* Courtſhip of 22 Years.

—At Portſmouth, Mr. BARNEY SISSON to Miſs BARBARY SISSON, Daughter of Mr Richard D. F. Siſſon, both of that Town.

CUSTOM-HOUSE,

Diſtrict of Newport, December 18.

ENTERED,	*From*
Brig Fox, Cornell,	Point Petre
Brig Terrible, Lovell,	Nantz
Sloop Reliance, Phillips,	St. Martins
—— Providence, Arnold,	Cape Francois
—— Rhoda, Spencer,	Alexandria
—— Camden Packet, Sinkins,	Dighton
—— Gen. Greene, Gardner,	Providence
—— Leopard, Winſlow,	Ditto
—— Nancy, Border,	Boſton
—— Cordelia, Adams,	New York
Schooner Corziah, Slocum,	Boſton
—— Blackney, Norris,	Havanna

CLEARED,	*For*
Brig William, Rathbone,	New York
Schooner Sufanna, Weſtcott,	Charleſton
Sloop Two Siſters, Dennis,	New York
Schooner Laura, Chace,	Nantucket

THE Subſcriber having ſome Time paſt turned out, into the High way, a yearling HEIFER, principally red, ſome little white about her Ear; marked with a hind Gad in each Ear, and a Halfpenny under the right Ear; and judges ſhe is got into ſome Incloſure.——Whoever will give Information to the Subſcriber, where ſaid yearling is, ſo that he may have her again, ſhall be handſomely rewarded, and all neceſſary Charges paid

PARDON TABOUR.

Portſmouth, Nov 25, 1797

TO BE LET,

TWO FARMS, lying in Jamestown, now in the Occupancy of JOHN HOWLAND, Eſq; on each Side and adjoining the Ferry Road.——The Farms together conſiſt of 220 Acres, are under good Fence, and well adapted for Farming and Grazing. The Soil is of the firſt Quality, and conſiſts of a due Proportion of Tillage, Meadow and Paſturage. There is alſo appertaining to ſaid Farms, and to be let with them, Two Rights on Dutch Iſland.—For Particulars apply to the Subſcriber in Newport. REBECCA CLARKE.

December 4th, 1797.

Sales at Auction.

On THURSDAY and FRIDAY 21ſt and 22d Inſtant, at GARDNER and DEAN's Office, at 10 o'Clock,

5 Crates Liverpool Ware,

aſſorted; Decanters, Wine-Glaſſes, Tumblers, Punch Glaſſes, &c.

10 Boxes Soap,
20 Pieces ſuperfine, middling, and low priced Broadcloths,
10 Pieces Caſſimeres,
5 Pieces Coatings,
20 Pieces Book and Jaconet Muſlins, ſtriped and plain,
10 Pieces Do. Do. Handkerchiefs,
40 Pieces coloured Sattin Ribbons,
40 Pieces Hair Ribbons,
15 Dozen Cotton Hoſe,
10 Dozen fine tambor'd Gentlemen's Handkerchiefs,
10 Pieces Linens,
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40 Pieces Ditto Shirting,
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30 Pieces Calimancoes, Durants, Tammies, Satinets, Laſtings, &c.
4 Pieces Sarſnets—
And, a Variety of other Articles.

The above Goods will be Sold at 2, 4, and 6 Months Credit—for approved Notes, payable at the Bank.—Other Conditions at Time of Sale.

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STEPHEN DEBLOIS

INFORMS his Cuſtomers and others, he has juſt received a large Aſſortment of EUROPEAN GOODS, particularly in the Hardware Branches; alſo a fine Aſſortment London made HATS, &c. &c.

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We the Subſcribers being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, of the State of Connecticut, at their late Seſſion in October, 1797, to receive in Truſt for the Creditors of Col. *Oliver Smith*, of Groton, in ſaid State, all the Eſtate of ſaid Oliver, and being alſo authoriſed as Truſtees as aforeſaid, to adjuſt all and ſingular the Demands againſt the ſaid Oliver, contracted by him previous to the 17th of April, 1797; all in Conformity to a Reſolve of ſaid Aſſembly—give this public Notice to all whom it may concern, That we will attend for the Purpoſe of our Appointment, at Mr. Zabdiel Rogers's, in Stonington, on the 22d Days of January, February and March next; the regular and legal Vouchers of Claims will be expected: All thoſe who ſtand indebted to ſaid Smith, are notified, that unleſs immediate Payment is made, their Accounts and Notes will be put in Suit without Diſcrimination.

LATHAM HULL,
STARR CHESTER,
STEPHEN BROWN,
} Truſtees.

Stonington, Dec. 8, 1797.

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To the Printer of DE CHRONICLE.

SIR,

THEY do say, you are for the equality.—I am the French merchant, I come from Bourdeaux to get my money for my goods. I go to one lawyer—he make de writ. I go to court. The lawyer of my debtor read in de book named de Burroughs, that lord Kenyon chief judge in England say the law is so—the Judges bow their head, and say, amen, to de lord Kenyon; and so I lose my debt.—Now the lord Kenyon say in his English court, say, that the not having *de role d'Equipage* is good to condemn de American ship, under the treaty of 1778: The French Judge say so too: But the Americans say, that the Lord Kenyon is wrong, when he say as the French Judge say—but when he say, what the French Judge do not say, then the Americans say, he is *all right*,—— Will you tell me the law on this?

FRANCAIS LEMOINE,

December 16.

IMPORTANT NEWS.

Capt. Lord, who arrived at Portsmouth, on Thursday morning last, from Holland, in 49 days, has informed his owners in this town, by express, that he was the bearer of a letter from Capt. Roberts, dated at Helvoetsluys, the 24th October, announcing the important intelligence of a complete victory being gained by the English fleet commanded by Admiral Duncan, over the Dutch fleet, under the orders of Admiral de Winter; and that ten or eleven sail had fallen to Duncan's hands, including two Admirals and other large ships. After the action one of the captured ships was stranded.

If the above account is authentic, the event it relates is of the first importance. It will give fresh spirits to the English nation; and induce the monied men to come forward in liberal loans to government, in support of a war, which has made them the masters of the ocean;—It will shew, that the late mutiny in the fleet, was not tinctured with disloyalty; and that the tars of England while they knew how to ask for redress of grievances, always know how to conquer an enemy. The date of the account does not impair its authenticity; but we cannot easily persuade ourselves, that de Winter would quit his fast moorings in the Texel, to combat an enemy every way his superior, especially so soon after a mutiny in his fleet.

Capt. Lord having 49 days passage may be the reason why he had not heard the particulars of the above event. The letter from Helvoetsluys, being dated the 24th October, must have been written within two or three days of his sailing.

It is a rare circumstance in the annals of naval warfare, that the grand fleets of three powerful nations should, in one war, be beaten by that of a single one.

LA FAYETTE.

We are happy to announce the safe arrival of America's noble friend at Hamburg, in October last, whereto he was escorted by the Captains of American vessels lying there;—and who two days after, gave him an elegant entertainment. As he was to sail for Philadelphia, in the John, two days after Captain Hall, who arrived here yesterday, we may daily expect to hear of his landing in the United States.

No event will give greater joy to the Patriot at Mount Vernon, than to behold his adopted son in this land of freedom.

FROM PHILAD. DEC 7.

"All our accounts from Europe agree, in representing the political situation of that quarter as highly interesting. New scenes are daily unfolding; and seem to mock the calculations of our most sagacious politicians. The war which seemed tottering to a close, by the successive secession of the powers engaged in it, now assumes a more menacing attitude, and threatens to include in its vortex Poland, Russia, the Ottoman Porte, and Prussia. If in the turmoil the United States can keep beyond its influence, great credit will be due to those who conduct their affairs. In any event we must be prepared for the worst. Our resources are immense, and they ought to be put in a state of active preparation. Things as yet, go on very harmoniously in Congress. We have more Americans, and less English and Frenchmen, amongst our rulers."

NEWPORT, Dec. 19.

We are authorized to announce, that the bank, in this Town, receives French Crowns at 110 Cents.

On Monday the 11th Instant, the General Assembly of this State met at Bristol, pursuant to Adjournment—the principal Object which occupied their Attention was the Revision the Laws—The Report of the Committee charged with that Business, was taken up and the greater Part of the Code approved and adopted.—Some very important Bills have, however, been postponed until next Session, among which are the Judiciary Bill, and that for the Punishment of Crimes. That Part of the Code which is adopted, is not to go into Operation until the Whole is enacted.

During the Session the following Appointments were made:

SAMUEL EDDY Esq; Secretary, vice Henry Ward, Esq; deceased.

THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq; 5th Justice of the Superior Court, vice Thomas Tillinghast, Esq; elected a Representative in Congress.

DANIEL SHELDON, Esq; Adjutant-General of the Militia.

On Saturday the Assembly adjourned to meet at Providence on the last Monday in January next.

A Tax of One Cent per Acre is levied upon all Lands in the State of Vermont, except those belonging to the State or appropriated to religious Uses.

JOHN CALDWELL, Esq; is appointed First Clerk in the War Department, vice Mr. Stagg, resigned.

DIED]—On Tuesday the 12th Instant, BENJAMIN ELLERY, after a short Sickness, in the 73d Year of his Age. Time, had gradually wasted his Strength by almost unperceived Decay, and he yielded up his Breath with scarcely a Struggle or a Groan. Age, that generally carries in its Train, Melancholy, Depression, and Inquietude, appeared to him unaccompanied by these gloomy Attendants; and though it had weakened the Powers of his Body, had neither abated the Cheerfulness of his Disposition, nor lessened the Enjoyment of his Spirits; these were the lively Escort which attended and cheered him, almost to the last Stage of his Journey through Life.——Colloquial Talents, the Flow of Spirits, the Powers of Wit, Humor, and Conversation, though they served to charm, animate, and adorn his Society, may be considered, but as the Decorations of the Frame of his Character;—within, was solid Worth, pure Integrity, and the most scrupulous Honesty;—an instinctive Delicacy of Principle, that made him shrink at the Idea of profiting himself, by the Confidence, Ignorance, or Mistakes of others—a Rectitude of Mind, and Uprightness of Heart, that found many Admirers, and has left but few Equals.——Unambitious of political Distinction, or public Honors, he chose the Walks of private Life, but not indifferent to the Interests of the Commonweal; he always shewed himself a Friend to Government and good Order.—Attached to the Congregational Mode of Worship, by Education and Principle, he encouraged it by his constant Attendance, and liberal Contribution.—Delineation of posthumous Character is too generally regarded as the Effusions of undistinguishing Affection, rather than the Result of impartial Examination and Judgment, else might this Sketch be filled up, and a Character pourtrayed at full Length, which would increase Esteem, and merit Imitation.

—At Providence, on Wednesday last, in the 34th Year of her Age, Mrs. CHLOE WILKINSON, the very amiable Consort of William Wilkinson, Esq.

—At Newburyport, Mr. HENRY BABCOCK, of this State.

MARRIED]—At Norwich (Connecticut) Mr. SOLOMON HEWITT, to Miss PATTY EAMES after a *short*, and it is expected *agreeable* Courtship of 22 Years.

—At Portsmouth, Mr. BARNEY SISSON to Miss BARBARY SISSON, Daughter of Mr Richard D. F. Sisson, both of that Town.

CUSTOM-HOUSE,

District of Newport, December 18.

ENTERED,	*From*
Brig Fox, Cornell,	Point Petre
Brig Terrible, Lovell,	Nantz
Sloop Reliance, Phillips,	St. Martins
—— Providence, Arnold,	Cape Francois
—— Roxana, Spencer,	Alexandria
—— Camden Packet, Sinkins,	Dighton
—— Gen. Greene, Gardner,	Providence
—— Leopard, Winslow,	Ditto
—— Nancy, Borden,	Boston
—— Cordelia, Adams,	New York
Schooner Corziah, Slocum,	Boston
—— Backney, Norris,	Havanna

CLEARED,	*For*
Brig William, Rathbone,	New York
Schooner Susanna, Westcott,	Charleston
Sloop Two Sisters, Dennis,	New York
Schooner Laura, Chase,	Nixonton

THE Subscriber having some Time past turned out, into the Highway, a yearling HEIFER, principally red, some little white about her Ears; marked with a hind Gad in each Ear, and a Halfpenny under the right Ear; and judges she is got into some Inclosure.——Whoever will give Information to the Subscriber, where said yearling is, so that he may have her again, shall be handsomely rewarded, and all necessary Charges paid

PARDON TABOUR.

Portsmouth, Nov 25, 1797

TO BE LET,

TWO FARMS, lying in Jamestown, now in the Occupancy of JOHN HOWLAND, Esq; on each Side and adjoining the Ferry Road.——The Farms together consist of 220 Acres, are under good Fence, and well adapted for Farming and Grazing. There is of the first Quality, and consists of a due Proportion of Tillage, Meadow and Pasturage. There is also appertaining to said Farms, and to be let with them, Two Rights on Dutch Island.—For Particulars apply to the Subscriber in Newport. REBECCA CLARKE.

December 4th, 1797.

Sales at Auction.

On THURSDAY and FRIDAY 21st and 22d Instant, at GARDNER and DEAN's Office, at 10 o'Clock,

5 Crates Liverpool Ware, assorted; Decanters, Wine Glasses, Tumblers, Punch Glasses, &c.
10 Boxes Soap,
20 Pieces superfine, middling, and low priced Broadcloths,
10 Pieces Cassimeres,
5 Pieces Coatings,
20 Pieces Book and Jaconet Muslins, striped and plain,
10 Pieces Do. Do. Handkerchiefs,
40 Pieces coloured Sattin Ribbons,
40 Pieces Hair Ribbons,
15 Dozen Cotton Hose,
10 Dozen fine tambor'd Gentleman's Handkerchiefs,
10 Pieces Linens,
Fine Cambricks and Lawns,
40 Pieces Bandannas,
40 Pieces Muslin Sheeting,
40 Pieces Ditto Shirting,
40 Pieces Chintzes and Calicoes,
10 Pieces large Muslin Chintz Shawls,
30 Pieces Calimancoes, Durants, Tammies, Satinets, Lastings, &c.
4 Pieces Sarsnets—
And, a Variety of other Articles.

The above Goods will be Sold at 2, 4, and 6 Months Credit—for approved Notes, payable at the Bank.—Other Conditions at Time of Sale.

Newport, Dec. 18, 1797.

STEPHEN DEBLOIS

INFORMS his Customers and others, he has just received a large Assortment of EUROPEAN GOODS, particularly in the Hardware Branches; also a fine Assortment London made HATS, &c. &c.

Newport, Dec. 18, 1797.

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Hon. General Assembly, of the State of Connecticut, at their late Session in October, 1797, to receive in Trust for the Creditors of Col. *Oliver Smith*, of Groton, in said State, all the Estate of said Oliver, and being also authorised as Trustees as aforesaid, to adjust all and singular the Demands against the said Oliver, contracted by him previous to the 17th of April, 1797; all in Conformity to a Resolve of said Assembly—give this public Notice to all whom it may concern, That we will attend for the Purpose of our Appointment, at Mr. Zabdiel Rogers's, in Stonington, on the 22d Days of January, February and March next; the regular and legal Vouchers of Claims will be expected: All those who stand indebted to said Smith, are notified, that unless immediate Payment is made, their Accounts and Notes will be put in Suit without Discrimination.

LATHAM HULL,
STARR CHESTER,
STEPHEN BROWN,
} Trustees.

Stonington, Dec. 8, 1797.

Errata.—In the List of Marriages, in our last Paper, for Dr. JEREMIAH C. CASE—*read* Dr. BENJAMIN W. CASE, &c.

HYPOCRISY.

BEHOLD the man with looks demure,
And pharasaic cant,
With knotted brows, and eyes cast down,
On neighbours follies rant.

Sure, neighbour *Twist*, must groan for sins,
Which he commits each day—
He ne'er was *Bunyan* known to read,
Or in his house to pray.

He rarely does to Meeting go,
But lounges it in bed:
A sinner vile, a wretch indeed,
He'll rue it when he's dead.——

Thank God, I am a better man,
I sigh, and fast, and pray;
Attend on all devotions' rules,
Revere the Sabbath day.

To all my worldly, outward cares,
I strict attention pay;
Nor lose one penny by neglect,
Nor half-pence give away.

Prudence, that dear respectful maid,
I love her from my heart:
In early life, this maxim taught,
With interest never part.

Hence when the shivering, haggard soul,
Accosts my bolted door,
I tell them, "Work, you rascals, work,
And you'll have food in store!"

But neighbour *Twist*, that wicked wretch,
Will oft their satchels fill;
His doors are open to their wants,
He helps them with good will.

E'en let him do as he will,
If I can pish, and pray;
On Sundays' wear a dismal face,
To Heaven I lead the way.

From the FARMER'S WEEKLY MUSEUM.

COMMON SENSE *in Dishabille.*
No. XXVII.

"A STITCH IN TIME, SAVES NINE."

A CERTAIN order of men are expert at fixing new texts to old sermons. I will reverse the case, and fix a new sermon to an old text. "A stitch in time saves nine," is as true out of doors, as within.

When a board gets loose on the side of your barn; if you suffer the cattle to run in their heads, and widen the breach, or the rain to drive in upon your hay and grain; the loss will convince you, that "a stitch in time saves nine."

When I see a farmer pass by a gap in his stone wall, or a broken rail in his fence, I reason thus: he is only tenant at will, and the cattle the landlords. He would do well to consider, that "a stitch in time saves nine."——A moment's work may save a bushel of corn.

Surveyors of highways might profit by my text. One hour's labour in the spring, might prevent the necessity of a dozen, in the summer. On descending ground, dig drains to draw the water into the adjacent fields; make the road highest in the middle; let it be so wide, that when the sides are gulled by a shower, there may be room for a cart to pass, without turning over.——This is much better, than the "do for the present" way of digging out the loose stones, and making the centre of the road a channel for the torrent, and a pit for the benighted traveller.

My text holds true in politicks and morals, as well as in economicks. When the rude hands of rebellion begin to pick the constitution to pieces, and shake the fist in the face of lawful authority, as much as to say, down with his house—"a stitch in time will save nine." The rod, applied to one bad man's back, may sometimes save the throats of twenty good men from the knife.

A youth, who is running into bad habits, should be checked in season. Ill habits are tenacious and insinuating—"give an inch" and they will take an ell.——When they have made a breach in the morals of your child, remember that "a stitch in time saves nine." A few hours confinement in your chaise, with a little season'e reproof, may save you on a year's imprisonment, or confinement on the gallies; and the discipline of the whip, in season, may prevent the necessity of using the cat o'nine tails, in public.

TO BE SOLD,

A FARM, lying partly in South-Kingston and partly in North Kingston, containing about One Hundred and Sixty Acres well fenced, well wooded, and well watered; will be sold, either in separate Lots or together, as may best suit Purchasers.—Possession will be given on the 25th of March next.——For Terms apply to

FREDERICK GARDNER.

South Kingston, Nov. 9 1797.

ALL Persons concerned, are hereby informed, that the subscribers are duly empowered to settle and adjust all the Claims and Concerns of the Estate of the late Joseph Lawton, Innholder, deceased.—All those who have any Demands upon said Estate are requested to bring them forward, and all those indebted thereto to make immediate Payment; as otherwise their Accounts, Notes, Bonds &c. will be for collection put in Suit.

JOHN FEARED,
ROBERT LAWTON jun.

Newport, Oct. 10, 1797.

JOHN BOURS, jun.

Respectfully informs his Friends and the Public in General, that he has just received at his Store, directly opposite General MARTIN'S,

A prime and elegant Assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the Season, which he is determined to sell very low.

BY WHOLESALE,

400 Pieces of thick Muslins, of different Qualities and Widths,
50 Pieces Bandannoes,
100 Dimity Table-Cloths,
200 Pieces India Calico,
1 Boxes Men's Yeoman Crown Hats.

J. B. jun. returns his Thanks to his former Customers, and requests a Continuance of their Favours.

Stephen T. Northam

Informs his Friends in particular, and the Public in general,

THAT he has just received, and has for Sale, at his Store, opposite THOMAS GREENE'S, a large Assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods.

——Also, a Variety of Ladies BONNETS, of the Newest Fashion, direct from London.——A Quantity of Rice and Cotton; and Pitch, Turpentine, and Pickled Fish, by the Barrel.

Linseed-Oil & Painter's Colours.

James Cahoone & Son,

HAVE FOR SALE,

LINSEED-OIL, boil'd and unboil'd, per Cask or Gallon,
Best London White Lead, per Cask or smaller Quantity,
Spanish Brown, Ditto Ditto,
Whiting, Ditto Ditto,
Stone Yellow, Spruce Ditto,
Red Lead, Patent Yellow,
Verdigrease, Prussian Blue,
Gold Leaf, Silver Ditto.

Litharge, White Vitriol, Painter's Brushes, Camel's Hair Pencils, Spirits of Turpentine, Varnish, Black Varnish of a superior Quality for Vessels, Rigging, &c. &c.

Any of the above Paints, ground in Oil or dry, properly prepared.

By furnishing the Dimensions of a House, Room, Vessel, &c. &c. their custom Customers may be supplied with a sufficient Quantity of Colours for any Work, on the shortest Notice, with Directions given therewith.

Also——9 by 7, and 8 by 6, Window Glass—and Putty.

Robert Lawton,

Respectfully acquaints his Customers, and the Public in general, that he has just received, and has for Sale at his Store, in Thames-Street, opposite Mr. GEORGE GIBBS'S, a large and complete assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the approaching Season, consisting of

SUPERFINE and 2d Broadcloths and Cassimeres—a great Variety of Fancy Vestings; Coatings; Baizes; Flannels; Bafticks and Pans; Calicoes and Cottons; Satins; Muces; Luteestrings; Jeffines, &c. &c.

Also, Ladies' Satin, Beaver and Common HATS; Gentlemens', Yeoman and Crown Ditto; low priced Mens' and Boys' Ditto; with a variety of other Articles.

Newport, November 13 1797.

WE the Subscribers being appointed by the Hon. Town-Council of Newport, Commissioners to receive and examine the Claims of the Creditors to the Estate of ABRAHAM HARDING, late of Newport aforesaid, Mariner, deceased, represented Insolvent; and Six Months being allowed for that Purpose; do hereby notify all Persons, having any Demands on said Estate, to bring in their Claims to either of us, at our respective Dwellings, within Six Months from this Date.

GILES SANFORD,
SETH MELVILL.

All Persons indebted to the Estate are hereby required to make immediate Payment to

HANNAH HARDING *Administratrix.*

Newport Nov. 6 1797.

JOHN ADAMS,

Respectfully informs the Public,

THAT he carries on the LEATHER DRESSING Business in all its Branches (as lately carried on by Mr. William Pope, and now by Mr. William Taylor,) Wholesale and Retail, Corner of the Parade, by the Draw of Long Wharf—Also Curries Leather by Dozens, Whole or Half Sides, Tanning, and Currying——Best Sheep for Hatters, Cap-Makers and Shoemakers Skins, with the Fur on, at Short Notice.

John Handy

Has received from LONDON, a Variety of GOODS, which he offers, at Wholesale and Retail, at the lowest Rates for Cash, or short approved Credit, at his Store on his Wharf.——Among which are,

BRoadcloths, Kerseymeres, Swanskins, Rattinetts, Florentines, Russells, Moreens, Tabourets, Jeans, Irish Linens, Checks, Diaper Tablecloths, Sheeting, Bedticks, Chintzes, Calicoes, Copper Plate Furniture Ditto, Linen and Muslin Handkerchiefs, Shawls, superfine India Jaconet & Book Muslins, Muslinets, Marseilles Quilting for Waistcoats, China Stripes Ditto, Jeans, Fustians, Durbets, Nankeens, flowered and twilled; Satins, Luftrings, Modes, Mens Silk, Silk and Cotton, and plated Fancy Stockings; plain, white and ribbed, Cotton Ditto; Brown Thread, and Silk and Worsted Ditto; Lawns, Cambricks, Ribbons, Hats, Ladies and Childrens Morocco Shoes, &c.—Also, a few Casks of Rice.

Newport, Sept. 25 1797.

Fresh Raisins and Currants

JUST ARRIVED.

JAMAICA Spirits, very excellent—Saint Croix Rum 3d Proof, and New-England Rum, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
Malaga and Sherry Wine, by the Quarter-Cask
Brandy, French and Spanish, by the Pipe or Barrel; from 4th Proof to 1st.
Window Glass by the Box.
York Soap (Goodeve & Brown) by the Box.
Rice, in Tierces; as good as any at Market.
Chocolate, Cundell's, Newell's, and Watertown Manufactory.
London Porter by the Cask; Brown Stout ditto.
French Indigo by the Quantity.
Very excellent SWEET OIL, in Cases of 12 Bottles each.
A few Casks of LINSEED OIL.
Cotton Wool and Pepper, with other Articles in the Grocery Line.

The above Articles will be sold on such Terms as cannot fail to give Satisfaction to the Purchaser, on a fair Trial of the Goods at his Store in Thames Street, lately occupied by Mr. Ethan Clarke.

NATH. B. MILLER.

November 21, 1797.

To be Sold, by

Thomas H. Hazard,

Of South-Kingstown,

The LITTLE NECK FARM,

CONTAINING about One Hundred and Forty Acres, bounded on Two Sides by the Salt Water, with a Dwelling House, Cheese and Corn House thereon—with an excellent Orchard of the best of Fruit, a good Well of Water, and a beautiful Grove of the best of Timber, and the greatest Plenty of the richest Manure adjoining said Farm, and the best Fishing and Fowling in New England. For Pleasantness, Situation, & Richness of Soil, with every other Convenience, no Place in New England can exceed it.——Any Person inclining to purchase may know the Terms by applying to said HAZARD, adjoining the Premises.

October 6, 1797.

State of RHODE ISLAND &c.
In GENERAL ASSEMBLY *October Session,*
A. D. 1797

IT *is Voted and Resolved* That Messieurs JOHN L. BOSS, ARCHIBALD CRARY, and WALTER CHANNING be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the State Notes and Securities lodged in the General Treasury, in Payment of Taxes; and the State Notes and Securities paid off on the late Paper Money, and lodged by Holders in the General Treasury: That they make out and deposit in the Treasury a particular List and Description of said Notes and Securities, with the Circumstances attending them: That they cause Notification to be given in the Newspapers, for the Space of Six Months, to make Application for the same according to Law: That at the End of Six Months from the first Notification as aforesaid, the said Committee shall cause all such Notes and Securities of the Description aforesaid as may then remain in the Treasury to be burnt and destroyed.

A true Copy: Witness,
HENRY WARD, *Sec'ry.*

In Pursuance of the above recited Act, the Subscribers hereby Notify all Persons, coming any of the Notes and Securities described in the aforesaid Act, to make Application to the General Treasurer for the same according to Law; within Six Months from the Twenty-eighth Day of November, A. D. 1797.

JOHN L. BOSS,
A. CRARY,
WAL. CHANNING } *Committee.*

Stephen Pierce

HAS FOR SALE,

BUNTING and ready made COLOURS.——Also, an Assortment of neat GUN LOCKS and BRASS FURNITURE, POWDER and SHOT; a few Bags of ANNISEED, a Quantity of excellent MUSTARD in Bottles, a small Assortment of GLASS WARE of superior Quality, and an Assortment of CROCKERY WARE.

Twenty Barrels of ROZIN.

Also, FEATHERS by the Sack, or 50lb.

☞ Likewise—GUNPOWDER, by the Cask.

To be Sold, by

SHEFFIELD ATTWOOD,

At his STORE on the Point,

JAmaica Spirits, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
West India and New England RUM, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
BRANDY and GENEVA, by the Pipe or Barrel,
A few Hogsheads of the first Quality Jamaica SUGAR,
MOLASSES of an excellent Quality, suitable for Retailing, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
HYSON TEA, or BOHEA, by the Dozen or Pound,
FLOUR—BEEF—and RICE—by the Barrel or Tierce.

Two New SLOOPS, complete for Sea; one of about 80 Tons Burthen, and the other about 40 Tons Burthen.

Sundry Dwelling Houses, situated in different Parts of this Town—To Sell, or Let.

Two Townships in the District of Maine, which will be sold at 50 Cents per Acre.

ALSO,

A small FARM, pleasantly situated, about Two Miles from the Narragansett Ferry, containing about 50 Acres; there is standing thereon a good Dwelling House, 40 by 30 Feet; a Barn, 30 by 24 Feet; with other necessary Buildings; the Whole in good Repair; a good Well of Water, and a small Orchard.——The Whole is well fenced and watered. A young Wood, or Grove of Trees, adjoining said Farm, is to be sold also. The Farm will be sold for 850 Dollars in Cash, or one Half Cash and the other Half in West-India Goods, at signing the Deed.

He gives the highest Price for Old GOLD and SILVER.

HE

Carries on the BAKING Business, as usual.——Has on Hand, SHIP and CABIN BREAD, of a good Quality.

WANTED,

TWO or Three active BOYS, about 14 or 15 Years of Age, to learn the Art of making PAPER, and Grinding CHOCOLATE, to which Twenty Dollars Bounty will be given, and good Encouragement, to every Boy that inclines to learn the above Business.

Christopher C. Olney.

Who has for SALE,

All Kinds of PAPER—and manufactures the best flavoured SNUFF and TOBACCO.

☞ CASH, and any of the above Articles, will be given, for Cotton and Linen RAGS, Old SAIL CLOTH, and damaged Hemp.

Providence, Oct. 17, 1797.

Coggeshall & Burdick,

At their Shop, next Northward of Mr. James Taylor and Co. Apothecary's Shop, in Thames Street,

HAVE for Sale, a complete Assortment of Men's BOOTS and SHOES, of various Kinds.

Also, all Kinds of Women's Stuff Shoes, and Morocco Slips and Sandals.

Likewise, a great Variety of small Shoes and Sandals.

All Kinds of Shoes, made at the above-said Shop, on the shortest Notice.

They present their Thanks to their former Customers, and hope for a Continuance of their Favours.

Tobacco and Snuff Manufactory.

KAIGHN & CAHOONE,

A few Doors South of the New Lane,

INFORM their Friends and Customers that they carry on the above Business as usual, and keep a constant Supply of the following Kinds of TOBACCO and SNUFF, by Wholesale and Retail, viz.

Pigtail fine and coarse—Ladies Twist—Segars; Negro Head; Cut Tobacco for chewing and smoking; Pigtail and Paper Tobacco, for shipping; Rappee and Scotch Snuff; Sweet scented Mountain Tobacco &c.

All the above Articles are warranted, and will be sold as low as at New York, or any other State.

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Attend on all devotions' rules,
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To all my worldly, outward cares,
I strict attention pay;
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Prudence, that dear respectful maid,
I love her from my heart;
In early life, this maxim taught,
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When a board gets loose on the side of your barn; if you suffer the cattle to run in their heads, and widen the breach, or the rain to drive in upon your hay and grain; the loss will convince you, that "a stitch in time saves nine."

When I see a farmer pass by a gap in his stone wall, or a broken rail in his fence, I conclude he is only tenant at will, and his cattle the landlords. He would do well to consider, that "a stitch in time saves nine."——A minute's work may save a bushel of corn.

Surveyors of highways might profit by my text. One hour's labour in the spring, might prevent the necessity of a dozen, in the summer. On descending ground, dig drains to draw the water into the adjacent fields; make the road highest in the middle; let it be so wide, that when the sides are gullied by a shower, there may be room for a cart to pass, without turning over.——This is much better, than the "do for the present" way of flinging out the loose stones, and making the centre of the road a channel for the torrent, and a pit for the benighted traveller.

My text holds true in politicks and morals, as well as in economicks. When the rude hands of rebellion begin to pick the constitution to pieces, and shake the fist in the face of lawful authority, as much as to say, down with his house—"a stitch in time will save nine." The rod, applied to one bad man's back, may sometimes save the throats of twenty good men from the knife.

A youth, who is running into bad habits, should be checked in season. Ill habits are tenacious and insinuating—"give an inch," and they will take an ell.——When they have made a breach in the morals of your child remember that "a stitch in time saves nine." A few hours confinement in your closet, with a little seasonable reproof, may save your son a year's imprisonment, or confinement on the castle; and the discipline of the whip, in private, may prevent the necessity of using the cat o'nine tails, in public.

TO BE SOLD,

A FARM, lying partly in South-Kingston and partly in North Kingston, containing about One Hundred and Sixty Acres, well fenced, well wooded, and well watered; will be sold, either in separate Lots or together, as may best suit Purchasers.—Possession will be given on the 25th of March next.—For Particulars inquire of

FREDERICK GARDNER.

South Kingston, Nov 9 1797.

ALL Persons concerned, are hereby informed, that the Subscribers are duly empowered to settle and adjust all the Affairs and Concerns of the Estate of the late JOHN LAWTON, Innholder, deceased.—All those who have any Demands against said Estate are requested to bring them forward, and all those indebted thereto to make immediate Payment; as otherwise their Accounts, Notes, Bonds &c. will be speedily put in Suit.

JOHN ELDRED,
ROBERT LAWTON, jun.

Newport, Oct. 16, 1797.

JOHN BOURS, jun.

Respectfully informs his Friends and the Public in General, that he has just received at his Store, directly opposite General MARTIN'S,

A prime and elegant Assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the Season, which he is determined to sell very low.

BY WHOLESALE,

400 Pieces of thick Muslins, of different Qualities and Widths,
50 Pieces Bandannoes,
100 Dimity Table-Cloths,
200 Pieces India Calico,
1 Boxes Men's Yeoman Crown Hats.

J. B. jun. returns his Thanks to his former Customers, and requests a Continuance of their Favours.

Stephen T. Northam

Informs his Friends in particular, and the Public in general,

THAT he has just received, and has for Sale, at his Store, opposite THOMAS GREENE'S, a large Assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods.

—Also, a Variety of Ladies BONNETS, of the Newest Fashion, direct from London.—A Quantity of Rice and Cotton; and Pitch, Turpentine, and Pickled Fish, by the Barrel.

Linseed-Oil & Painter's Colours.

James Cahoone & Son,

HAVE FOR SALE,

LINSEED-OIL, boil'd and unboil'd, per Cask or Gallon,
Best London White Lead, per Cask or smaller Quantity,

Spanish Brown,	Ditto	Ditto,
Whiting,	Ditto	Ditto,
Stone Yellow,	Spruce	Ditto,
Red Lead,	Patent	Yellow,
Verdigrease,	Prussian	Blue,
Gold Leaf,	Silver	Ditto.

Litharge, White Vitriol, Painter's Brushes, Camel's Hair Pencils, Spirits of Turpentine, Varnish, black Varnish of a superior Quality for Vessels, Rosin, Tar, &c. &c.

Any of the above Paints, ground in Oil or dry, properly prepared.

By sending the Dimensions of a House, Room, Vessel, &c. &c. their distant Customers may be supplied with a sufficient Quantity of Colours for any Work, on the shortest Notice, with Directions given therewith.

Also—9 by 7, and 8 by 6, Window Glass—and Putty.

Robert Lawton,

Respectfully acquaints his Customers, and the Public in general, that he has just received, and has for Sale at his Store, in Thames-Street, opposite Mr. GEORGE GIBBS'S, a large and complete Assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the approaching Season, consisting of

SUPERFINE and 2d Broadcloths, and Cassimeres—a great Variety of Fancy Vestings; Coatings; Baizes; Flannels; Elastacks and Pants; Calicoes and Chintzes; Sattins; Modes; Lutestrings; Taffenes, &c. &c.

Also, Ladies' Sattin, Beaver and Common HATS; Gentlemens', Yeoman and Crown Do.; low priz'd Mens' and Boys' Do.; with a variety of other Articles.

Newport, November 13, 1797.

WE the Subscribers being appointed by the Hon. Town-Council of Newport, Commissioners to receive and examine the Claims of the Creditors to the Estate of ABRAHAM HARDING, late of Newport aforesaid, Mariner, deceased, represented Insolvent; and Six Months being allowed for that Purpose; do hereby notify all Persons, having any Demands on said Estate, to bring in their Claims to either of us, at our respective Dwellings, within Six Months from this Date.

GILES SANFORD,
SETH MELLVILL.

All Persons indebted to said Estate are hereby required to make immediate Payment to

HANNAH HARDING *Administratrix.*

Newport Nov 6 1797

JOHN ADAMS,

Respectfully informs the Public,

THAT he carries on the LEATHER DRESSING Business, in all its Branches next southward from the Tan-Yard formerly occupied by Mr. William Tripp, and now by Mr. William Tilley.—Where may be had, Gloves of all Kinds, by the Dozen or single Pair.—Also Glove Leather by Ditto.—Wool for Hatting, Spinning, and Carpeting.—Bear Skins for Holsters, Caps, &c. and all Kind of Skins dressed, with the Fur on, at short Notice.

John Handy

HAS received from LONDON, a Variety of GOODS, which he offers, at Wholesale and Retail, at the lowest Rates for Cash, or short approved Credit, at his Store on his Wharf.——Among which are,

BRoadcloths, Kerseymeres, Shalloons, Rattinetts, Florentines, Russells, Moreens, Taborets, Jeans, Irish Linens, Checks, Diaper Tablecloths, Sheeting, Bedticks, Chintzes, Calicoes, Copper Plate Furniture Ditto, Linen and Muslin Handkerchiefs, Shawls, superfine India, Jaconet & Book Muslins, Muslinets, Marseilles Quilting for Waistcoats, China Stripes Ditto, Jines, Fustians, Drabets, Nankeens, striped and twilled; Satins, Lustrings, Modes, Mens Silk, Silk and Cotton, and plated Fancy Stockings; plain, white and ribbed, Cotton Ditto; Brown Thread, and Silk and Worsted Ditto; Lawns, Cambricks, Ribbons, Hats, Ladies and Childrens Morocco Shoes, &c.—Also, a few Casks of Rice.

Newport, Sept. 25 1797.

Fresh Raisins and Currants

JUST ARRIVED.

JAMAICA Spirits, very excellent—Saint Croix Rum 3d Proof, and New-England Rum, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
Malaga and Sherry Wine, by the Quarter-Cask.
Brandy, French and Spanish, by the Pipe or Barrel; from 4th Proof to 1st.
Window Glass by the Box.
York Soap (Goodeve & Brown) by the Box.
Rice, in Tierces; as good as any at Market.
Chocolate, Cundell's, Newell's, and Watertown Manufactory.
London Porter by the Cask; Brown Stout ditto.
French Indigo by the Quantity.
Very excellent SWEET OIL, in Cases of 12 Bottles each.
A few Casks of LINSEED OIL.
Cotton Wool and Pepper, with other Articles in the Grocery Line.

The above Articles will be sold on such Terms as cannot fail to give Satisfaction to the Purchaser, on a fair Trial of the Goods at his Store in Thames Street, lately occupied by Mr. Ethan Clarke.

NATH. B. MILLER.

November 21, 1797.

To be Sold, by

Thomas H. Hazard,

Of South-Kingstown,

The LITTLE NECK FARM,

CONtaining about One Hundred and Fifty Acres, bounded on Two Sides by the Salt Water, with a Dwelling House, Cheese and Corn House thereon—with an excellent Orchard of the best of Fruit, a good Well of Water, and a beautiful Grove of the best of Timber, and the greatest Plenty of the richest Manure adjoining said Farm, and the best Fishing and Fowling in New England. For Pleasantness, Situation & Richness of Soil, with every other Convenience, no Estate in New England can exceed it.——Any Person inclining to purchase, may know the Terms by applying to said HAZARD, adjoining the Premises.

October 6, 1797.

State of RHODE ISLAND, &c.

In GENERAL ASSEMBLY, *October Session, A. D.* 1797.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs JOHN L. BOSS, ARCHIBALD CRARY, and WALTER CHANNING be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the State Notes and Securities lodged in the General Treasury, in Payment of Taxes; and the State Notes and Securities paid off in the late Paper Money, and lodged by Holders in the General Treasury: That they make out and deposit in the Treasury a particular List and Description of said Notes and Securities, with the Circumstances attending them: That they cause Notification to be given in the Newspapers, for the Space of Six Months, to make Application for the same according to Law: That at the End of Six Months from the first Notification as aforesaid, the said Committee shall cause all such Notes and Securities of the Description aforesaid as may then remain in the Treasury to be burnt and destroyed.

A true Copy: *Witness,*
HENRY WARD, *Sec'ry.*

In Pursuance of the above recited Act, the Subscribers hereby Notify all Persons, claiming any of the Notes and Securities, described in the aforesaid Act, to make Application to the General Treasurer for the same according to Law; within Six Months from the Twenty eighth Day of November, A. D. 1797.

JOHN L. BOSS,
A. CRARY,
WAL. CHANNING } *Committee.*

Stephen Pierce

HAS FOR SALE,

BUNTING and ready made COLOURS.—Also, an Assortment of neat GUN LOCKS and BRASS FURNITURE, POWDER and SHOT; a few Bags of ANNISEED, a Quantity of excellent MUSTARD in Bottles, a small Assortment of GLASS WARE of superior Quality, and an Assortment of CROCKERY WARE.

Twenty Barrels of ROZIN.

Also, FEATHERS by the Sack, or 50lb.

☞ Likewise—GUNPOWDER, by the Cask

To be Sold, by

SHEFFIELD ATTWOOD,

At his STORE on the Point,

JAmaica Spirits, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
West India and New England RUM, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
BRANDY and GENEVA, by the Pipe or Barrel,
A few Hogsheads of the first Quality Jamaica SUGAR,
MOLASSES, of an excellent Quality, suitable for Retailing, by the Hogshead or Barrel,
HYSON TEA, or BOHEA, by the Dozen or Pound,
FLOUR—BEEF—and RICE—by the Barrel or Tierce.

Two New SLOOPS, complete for Sea; one of about 80 Tons Burthen, and the other about 40 Tons Burthen.

Sundry Dwelling Houses, situated in different Parts of this Town—To Sell, or Let.

Two Townships in the District of Maine, which will be sold at 50 Cents per Acre.

ALSO,

A small FARM, pleasantly situated, about Two Miles from the Narraganset Ferry, containing about 50 Acres; there is standing thereon a good Dwelling House, 40 by 30 Feet; a Barn, 30 by 24 Feet; with other necessary Buildings; the Whole in good Repair; a good Well of Water, and a small Orchard.——The Whole is well fenced and watered. A young Wood, or Grove of Trees, adjoining said Farm, is to be sold also. The Farm will be sold for 850 Dollars in Cash, or one Half Cash and the other Half in West-India Goods, at signing the Deed.

He gives the highest Price for Old GOLD and SILVER.

HE

Carries on the BAKING Business, as usual.——Has on Hand, SHIP and CABIN BREAD, of a good Quality.

WANTED,

TWO or Three active BOYS, about 14 or 15 Years of Age, to learn the Art of making PAPER, and Grinding CHOCOLATE, to which Twenty Dollars Bounty will be given, and good Encouragement, to every Boy that inclines to learn the above Business.

Christopher C. Olney.

Who has for SALE,

All Kinds of PAPER—and manufactures the best flavoured SNUFF and TOBACCO.

☞ CASH, and any of the above Articles, will be given, for Cotton and Linen RAGS, Old SAIL CLOTH, and damaged Hemp.

Providence, Oct 17, 1797.

Coggeshall & Burdick,

At their Shop, next Northward of Mr. James Taylor and Co. Apothecary's Shop, in Thames street,

HAVE for Sale, a complete Assortment of Men's BOOTS and SHOES, of various Kinds.

Also, all Kinds of Women's Stuff Shoes, and Morocco Slips and Sandals.

Likewise, a great Variety of small Shoes and Sandals.

All Kinds of Shoes, made at the above-said Shop, on the shortest Notice.

They present their Thanks to their former Customers, and hope for a Continuance of their Favours.

Tobacco and Snuff Manufactory.

KAIGHN & CAHOONE,

A few Doors South of the New Lane,

INFORM their Friends and Customers that they carry on the above Business as usual, and keep a constant Supply of the following Kinds of TOBACCO and SNUFF, by Wholesale and Retail, viz.

Pigtail fine and coarse—Ladies Twist—Segars; Negro Head; Cut Tobacco, for chewing and smoking; Pigtail and Paper Tobacco, for shipping; Rappee and Scotch Snuff; Sweet scented Mountain Tobacco, &c.

All the above Articles are warranted, and will be sold as low as at New York, or any other Store.